## CIVIL MOTIONS PROCEDURES IN JUDGE HELLER'S COURT

- 1. Keep pleadings as succinct as possible. The most persuasive arguments are generally marked by clarity and focus, not by length and repetition.
- 2. Briefs must be in 12-point font double spaced and within standard margins.
- 3. Briefs exceeding the prescribed page limitations will not be accepted. In the rare case where counsel cannot adequately address the issues within the page limitations, a motion to accept overlength brief should be filed in advance.
- 4. **Tab** all declarations and exhibits. This saves the court valuable time.
- 5. **Highlight** the pertinent portions of deposition transcripts and hard copies of cases you submit. This will help the court to focus on what is important to you.
- 6. Most non-dispositive motions will be decided without oral argument. Requests for oral argument will be granted only if the court determines that oral argument would be helpful to clarify the issues.